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In re Application of:)
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 LINKER SYSTEM FOR ACTIVATING)
 SURFACES FOR BIOCONJUGATION) Date: 16 January 2002
 (As Amended))

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT (A)**BOX: PATENT APPLICATION (DO/EO/US)**

Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculating the filing fees, kindly amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE TITLE:

Please change the title wherever it may appear to read as follows:

-- **LINKER SYSTEM FOR ACTIVATING SURFACES FOR**
BIOCONJUGATION --.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend the claims to delete multiple dependencies and replace them with the following:

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